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Appropriation Policy for Pahvant Valley

Dear Water User:

First, let me thank you for your attendance at the public meeting that was held in Fillmore on February 24, 1994. Your comments and continued interest in the ground-water resources of Pahvant Valley are greatly appreciated.

At that meeting, I outlined a policy and management plan for the valley. The only undefined part regarded the appropriation policy, particularly concerning single family domestic wells. As promised, I have decided on the following.

The valley will remain closed to all new appropriations of water with one exception. Small domestic well filings will be permitted subject to the following conditions:

- The annual withdrawal cannot exceed 1.0 acre-foot per year.
- 2) The well must be located outside of the service area of a public or private water supply system and must be sufficiently removed from the boundaries of said service area to preclude the reasonable expectation of service being extended in the near future.
- 3) The use of said water is restricted to the in-house use of 1 family, the irrigation of 0.1 acres of lawn and/or garden, and the watering no more than 5 head of cattle or the equivalent. other outside use such as irrigation for lawn, garden, pasture, etc. must be accomplished by the purchase and changing of an existing water right.
- 4) If the application is approved, the applicant will be allowed 5 years in which to submit proof of appropriation. Extensions of time in which to submit proof will generally not be granted and would only be considered under unusual circumstances.
- 5) If the application is approved, changes in the nature of use will be allowed only with careful review and balancing of the depletion to the water resource.

This policy will be put into effect April 1, 1994.

I believe this appropriation policy to be fair and in the best



interest of the valley and its residents. If you have any questions regarding this, or any other aspect of the management plan, do not hesitate to write or call. The address and phone number of our Southern Regional office is:

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Again, I thank you for your interest in these matters and look forward to a mutually beneficial working relationship with you in the future.

Sincerely,

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